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Title: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DISTORTION CHARACTERIZATION IN  
 FINGERPRINT AND PALM-PRINT IMAGE SEQUENCES AND USING  
 THIS DISTORTION AS A BEHAVIORAL BIOMETRICS**

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The above-named application is a continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of pending U.S. application Serial No. 09/537,077 which claims priority from Provisional Application Serial No. 60/168,540. Enclosed are the following papers relating to the application:

1. New specification
2. 14 sheets of informal drawings
3. Copy of signed Declaration and Power of Attorney from prior application
4. Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449 and cited references

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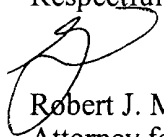
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2. The prior application is assigned of record to International Business Machines, Inc.

3. An Associate Power of Attorney to the undersigned has been entered in the prior application.
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